

WILMINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

December 12, 2007 Meeting Minutes

The meeting of the Wilmington Neighborhood Council (WNC) was called to order by Jack Babbitt, Co-Chair, at 6:03 PM at the Wilmington Senior Center, 1371 Eubank Ave., Wilmington. Jack introduced self and gave brief statement: "As provided by the Brown Act, person in the audience may address the committee in connection with any agenda item or during the public comments period. Anyone desiring to speak please complete a speaker card and submit it to the secretary." Secretary Lucia M explained that translation to Spanish available. Jack explained the various forms available in back. Dennis M explained procedures for speaking during meeting and time limits.

1. Roll Call of Governing Board Members (Present: Jack Babbitt, Skip Baldwin, Maricela Caraballo, Adelaida Godinez, Donna Ethington, Arthur Hernandez, Gary kern, Dennis McCarbery, Ana Medina, Lucy Mejia, Helen Mora, Bobby McNeel, Cecilia Moreno, Lucia Moreno-Linares, Hank Osterhaoudt, Marcus Perez, Michael Sanborn, Patrick Wilson) 15 Quorum. 18 present.
Pledge of Allegiance led by Pat Wilson
2. Approval of November minutes MSA Dennis M/Pat W. 16 Yes, 1 Abstain, 0 No, **Passed**
3. Los Angeles Police Department- None
4. Public Comment:
 - Don Compton, Resident.
5. Government Rep. Reports:
 - Rosa Arcadia from DONE gave report. Gave information on funeral for Carol Tharp, DONE manager. Q & A
6. Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority – None.
7. COPPS Report: Community Outreach Promoting Safety & Security - None.
8. Presentations: - None
9. Action Items
 - A- **Recommendation for approval from WNC Executive Board for WNC Governing Board to approve supporting the PCAC Action Item G, 1-4, motion from EIR Aesthetic Mitigation/Wilmington Waterfront Development Subcommittees** MSA Dennis M/Lucia Moreno-Linares, Discussion, including motion to table motion, public comments from Ken Melendez, and Frank O'Brien, from board members for and against, Vote, 3 No, 4 Abstain, 11 Yes, **Passed**.
 - B- **Recommendation for Approval from WNC Executive Board for WNC Governing Board to approve removing from WNC Board Candice Graham, Residents, and George Pan, Business & Industry, for 3 or more unexcused absences (have never attended a meeting) as per the WNC By-Laws,** MSA Dennis M / Skip B, Discussion, including comments from Candace, being removed, who came for first time and explained that she and George did not know they were on the board. Jack explained that he sent them the same packet he sent all new board members and everyone else

responded and he had no return mail or e mail from them so they were notified, more comments from board members,

Vote, to affirm last months vote, 0 Abstain, 0 No, 17 Yes, **Passed.**

Break

10. Information Items

- Refreshments for January –
- WNC Focus- WNC Board and stakeholders discussion

Discussion was led by Jack Babbitt following outline of topics to be covered.

Board Structure was generally felt to cover most areas of the community. Might consider adding a “public services” rep for clinics, doctors, counselors, etc, also Non union Labor representative to cover needs of small and self employed business which are a big sector of Wilmington, add an environmental committee, consider mobile and renters when finding residents representatives. **Meetings:** ask City Attorney to attend, streamline agendas, discussed changing meeting dates, reading agenda packet before coming to meeting, get presentations from different city bureaus or departments to educate the WNC board and the community in general about how city functions and how we might be able to make better use of services. Persons making presentations need to deliver their printed presentations before the meeting so people have a chance to read them. **Committees:** Need proper notices of meeting times, dates, and locations, as well as agendas, need record of meetings, need additional committees, committees need to present goals for the year, increase community participation in committees, each WNC member needs to recruit a person for each committee they serve on and also to attend WNC meetings to start educating people so they can serve on the board too, need a graffiti committee with funds to paint. Need chair for Public Works. **Outreach / Communications:** visit other NC to see what they do and learn, give out community recognition to increase participation, invite other community organizations to make brief presentations to WNC, one organization per month, send out a flyer twice a year to community to explain what WNC is about and to invite to participate. **Proactive:** Quarterly meeting of WNC executive with Councilwoman, and with LAPD, to foster working relationship. Other comments. Jack and executive board will which ideas are feasible and how to put them into action. Will report at January meeting what is proposed.

12. Reports of Officers – None
13. Reports by Standing Committees – None
14. Unfinished Business – None.
15. New Business- None.
16. Reports from Caucus Groups None
17. Reports from Members-at-Large: None
18. Announcement from Board Members and community – None
19. Adjourn – 9:08 PM

Minutes taken by Lucia Moreno-Linares, Secretary

Approved by Jack Babbitt, Chair